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 24 [REDACTED] VCA/R74-72, DTG, 24/0826Z JUN 72. AVN, KUS/AVIA-A. **SONGBIRD** NVAF MIG-21'S
 SHOOT DOWN THREE U.S. AIRCRAFT ON 24 JUNE 72.
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BETWEEN 0819Z AND 0847Z, 24JUN72, A MINIMUM OF EIGHT PHUC YEN BASED NVAF MIG-21'S WERE NOTED IN REACTION TO AN UNKNOWN NUMBER OF U.S. ACFT. FOUR MIG-21'S WERE INITIALLY NOTED AIRBORNE AT 0819Z AND WERE BEING VECTORED TOWARDS THE HOSTILES AT AN ALTITUDE OF 1000 METERS. AT 0838Z, ONE MIG PILOT REPORTED DISCOVERING 12 HOSTILES AND DROPPED WING TANKS. THE LEAD MIG PILOT REPORTED TO HIS WINGMAN, \$THERE ARE FOUR OF THEM HEAD ON, YOU HIT THE TWO OF THEM ON THE LEFT, I WILL STRIKE THE TWO ON THE RIGHT.\$ AT 0839Z, THE LEAD PILOT REPORTED HITTING ONE OF THE HOSTILES. AT 0840Z, THE LEAD PILOT REPORTED SEEING 16 HOSTILES IN FRONT OF HIM AND AT 0841Z, HIS WINGMAN STATED, \$ONE OF THEM IS BURNING, ONE OF THEM BURST INTO FLAMES.\$ AT 0842Z, THE LEAD PILOT STATED, \$THERE ARE TWO MORE HOSTILES IN FRONT AND FOUR OF THEM IN BACK OF ME, I CAN'T FIRE AT ALL.\$ A THIRD PILOT IMMEDIATELY REPORTED \$ OF THEM BURST INTO FLAMES AND IS BURNING.\$ AT 1844Z TWO MORE MIG-21 WERE NOTED TAKING OFF FROM PHUC YEN AIRFIELD FOLLOWED BY TWO MORE MIGS AT 0847Z. WHILE IN THE LANDING PATTERN, THE LEAD PILOT OF THE FIRST FLIGHT OF FOUR MIG-21'S, REPORTED THAT HE FIRED BOTH MISSILES AND HIT ONLY ONE OF THEM. COMMENTS, A COLLATERAL OPERATIONAL SOURCE INDICATES THAT TWO U.S. ACFT WERE SHOT DOWN DURING THIS ACTY XXHH 300 0034 NNNN

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